Congress of the United States

Washington, DC 20515

March 29th, 2023

The Honorable Kay Granger Chairwoman House Appropriations Committee H-307 The Capitol Washington, DC 20515 The Honorable Rosa DeLauro Ranking Member House Appropriations Committee 1036 Longworth House Office Building Washington, DC 20515

Dear Chairwoman Granger and Ranking Member DeLauro:

I am requesting \$1,000,000 in funding for the Thornton Avenue Alternate Route Corridor Pavement Rehabilitation - Phase 2 project in fiscal year 2024. The entity to receive funding for this project is the City of Newark, located at 37101 Newark Boulevard, Newark, CA 94560.

The funding would be used for much needed pavement rehabilitation on a segment of Thornton Avenue. In addition to essential pavement rehabilitation, the project will add Class II buffered bicycle lanes and other safety improvements. Thornton Avenue is an alternative route corridor for traffic on State Route 84 and Interstate 880, but also provides direct access to an elementary school on this specific segment between Ash Street and Spruce Street. The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because it improves roadway infrastructure and safety consistent with federally authorized programs.

The project has a Federal nexus because the funding provided is for purposes authorized by 23 U.S.C. 133.

I certify that I have no financial interest in this project, and neither does anyone in my immediate family.

Sincerely,

Ro Khanna

Member of Congress